# Area/Service Unit Strategic Planning Meeting

Bemidji Area Indian Health Service

Chairperson
John McArthur

Goal Status

1. Make Recruiter Permanent

Goal Status

2. Designate one contact person in each discipline

Goal Status

3. Emphasize health profession opportunities early in the community, areawide and local level

Goal Status

4. Streamline hiring process

Goal Status

5. Living quarters for professionals

Goal Status

6. Residency Program

Goal Status

7. Expand Sr.. COSTEP Program

Goal Status

8. Retention issue

Goal Status

9. Loan Repayment Program

Chairperson
Teresa Chasteen

Goal Status

1. Back billing for Medicaid

Red Lake - Working on

Cass Lake - Pepion Group

White Earth - Working on

Goal Status

2. Decrease aged claims

- Red Lake Pepion Group
- Cass Lake Pepion
   Group & Restructuring
   Department
- White Earth Working on

Goal Status

3. Implementation of APCs

Will effect Red Lake and Cass Lake for MnCare and GMAC

Goal Status

4. Inform patient and staff of eligibility and alternate resource requirements

Brochure at printer, CHS video and Medicare video, Open Houses, articles in newspapers

Goal Status

5. Certification for medical record and business office staff

White Earth & Cass
Lake completed
Medical Terminology
classes

Cass Lake working on starting Anatomy and Physiology class

Goal Status

6. Involvement of
Contract Health
Services from all three
Service Units

CHS involved in meetings, waiting for CHS supervisor from Cass Lake SU

Goal Status

7. Computer support (HL7 link)

HL7 link for Viking, Omnicell, Veriquest and RPMS packages

Goal Status

8. Computer support - for issues with computer problems with billing

Per SUD's recommendations, add MIS
to our workgroup and
to Area MIS
workgroup

Electronic claims submission

Chairperson
Dave Bellware

Goal Status

1. Evaluate current status of communication within the Area

Initial communication survey completed Dec 99'. Follow-up survey tentatively planned for February 2001

#### Goal

- 2. Enhance access to and use of computers
- 3. Enhance access to and use of phones and voice mail
- 4. Enhance general dissemination of info at all levels

#### Status

Improvements have been made at Service Unit and BAO-specifics at SU will be outlined in report

Goal Status

5. Develop annual training and events calendar

Training and Events
Calendar has been established/improved.
To date there is very little use of this Calendar, access is

#### Status (Cont'd)

awkward/difficult.... An impromptu pole revealed that very few people seem to be aware of the calendar or how to access it.

Need to improve commitment to training schedule with a recommended two month notice for changes

Chairperson
<a href="Kathy">Kathy</a> Goodwin

Goals Status

1. To correct deficiencies in the staffing process

Deficiencies Staffing
Process: (A)
Personnel Staffing
Assessment Survey
completed-Results to
Area Ex Off/SUDs for
action;

#### Status Status

(B) Supervisor's
Cookbook/Handbook
containing "How To"
instructions read for
assembly and
completion by
12/15/00.

(C) Contacted
Classification Branch
(AAO) to assist in
coordination of inservice for all
supervisors.

Goals Status

2. Assure adequate staff to carryout the mission of the Area and Service Units

Staffing Plan - Managing staffing needs in future: Waiting for the result of Facilities

Master Plan - To be completed by Jan 2001 all SUs. Will

#### Status (cont'd)

review results to
determine if it satisfies
our needs? (Will set
framework as a
management tool but
will not do a flow
analysis.

Chairperson
Victor Mosser

Goals Status

1. Add space for urgent care and identify space needs

Urgent Care was added to all three Service Units

Goals Status

2. Evaluate current space usage and identify new space needs(Complete White Earth in next couple of weeks)

Area Master Plan will identify space needs for each facility. Cass Lake just completed a Master Plan.

Goals Status

3. Maximize use of floor space and identify space needs

Service Units are having upper management committees look at space needs and utilization as an ongoing issue

Goals Status

4. Identify alternative funding for space and maximize utilization of space in new designs

Both the Red Lake and Cass Lake Hospitals are looking to add additional space to the facilities. Red Lake will fund through

# Staffing/Facility Needs

Status (Cont'd)

M&M and Cass Lake will work with the Tribe to identify possible funding.

Goals Status

5. Limit amount of backlog storage onsite

The Service Units have been directed to prioritize the use of space and reduce storage in prime space areas.